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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/573,660  
Confirmation No. : 5664  
Applicant : E. F. Da Silva Neto  
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Title : Function Block for Field Devices of Process  
Automation Technology  
Art Unit : 2121  
Examiner : D. S. Lee  
Docket No. : DASI3006/FJD  
Customer No. : 23364

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Introductory Comments

The following amendments and remarks are being submitted herewith pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.111 in response to the Office Action of November 13, 2008.